

MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 5(A)

TO:

Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson

and Members, Economic Development &

Human Services Committee

DATE:

May 16, 2007

FROM: Kay M. Sullivan

Director, Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT:

Approval of Commission

Committee Minutes

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Economic Development and Human Services Committee:

April 11, 2007

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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

Stephen P. Clark Government Center 111 N.W. 1st Street Miami, FL 33128

Meeting Minutes Economic Development and Human Services Committee

Audrey M. Edmonson (3) Chair; Katy Sorenson (8) Vice Chair; Commissioners Barbara J. Jordan (1), Dennis C. Moss (9), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan, Dennis C. Moss, Katy

Sorenson, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late:

None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 **MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

Report: Jovel Shaw, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1289

INVOCATION **1A**

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



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1C ROLL CALL

Report:

The following staff members were present: Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry, Assistant County Attorneys Cynthia Johnson-Stacks and Brenda Kuhns Neuman; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Jovel Shaw.

Chairwoman Edmonson called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks informed the Committee of the requested changes in the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee Agenda"

Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Moss that the changes listed in the County Manager's memorandum, dated April 11, 2007, be approved. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 3-0. (Commissioners Jordan and Souto were absent).

1D PRESENTATION(S)

1E PUBLIC HEARING(S)

1E1

070603 Ordinance

Audrey M. Edmonson

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19-4.7.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTY IN THE DISTANCE LIMITATION FOR NUISANCE CONDITIONS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Edmonson Seconder: Moss Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Chairwoman Edmonson relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairwoman Sorenson.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

1E2

070917 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 148 FROM CLASS TRANSPORTATION & TOURS, CORP. TO ADM WORLDWIDE, INC. D/B/A WORLDWIDE LIMOUSINE, INC. TO PROVIDE SPECIAL OPERATIONS SERVICE AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER (Consumer Services Department) Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Jordan, Souto

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

1E3

070979 Resolution

RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY GRANTING HOTWIRE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC. A NON-EXCLUSIVE CABLE LICENSE AND LICENSE AREA; GRANTING CERTAIN RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES WITHIN SAID AREA TO HOTWIRE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.; PROVIDING FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE LICENSE; AND PROVIDING FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION (Consumer Services Department)

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 1E3 Amended, Legislative File No. 071193 for the amended version.

1E3 AMENDED

071193 Resolution

RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY GRANTING HOTWIRE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC. A NON-EXCLUSIVE CABLE LICENSE AND LICENSE AREA; GRANTING CERTAIN RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES WITHIN SAID AREA TO HOTWIRE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.: PROVIDING FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE LICENSE; AND PROVIDING FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070979] (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing on the foregoing resolution.

Ms. Kristin Johnson, President, Hotwire Communications, LLC (Hotwire), appeared before the Committee, and provided an overview of Hotwire's experience with providing cable services. She noted she looked forward to the opportunity to provide services to this community.

Mr. Scott Robbins, 333 Venetian Way, appeared before the Committee on behalf of the City of Homestead, and requested the County require any cable operator who was granted a cable operating license with the County to also obtain and maintain a cable operating license with the City of Homestead. He informed the Committee that a dual licensing system allows cable licenses to be granted by Miami-Dade County, and authorizes the provider to provide their services in unincorporated Dade County as well as municipalities. Although he noted, local governments including Miami-Dade County, had the right under Florida and Federal laws to mandate cable operators that was operating within their legal boundaries to enter into a cable license permit with that jurisdiction. Mr. Robbins noted the City's experience with some cable operators' refusal to obtain cable license permit from the local franchise authority because they had the county-wide license. He concluded by asking the County Commission to approve the Hotwire cable license with a condition that the cable operators not provide services or commence construction of the necessary facility to provide cable services in any incorporated city in Miami-Dade County without first obtaining a cable

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license from the applicable municipality.

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Consumer Services
Department (CSD), informed the Committee that a
cable operator must obtain a County cable
operator license in order to operate anywhere
within the County, and also maintain a municipal
cable license as well in order to operate within the
municipalities. Therefore, if the County
Commission approved this application, it did not
give the applicant the right to operate in cities
such as the City of Homestead or the City of
Miami without first obtaining a license from those
cities as well.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' question regarding those entities that possess a County cable operator license for an unincorporated area that became incorporated, Ms. Peel explained an argument could be made concerning those companies that already possess a pre-existing license from the County when the city incorporated. She noted the new municipality would have to determine whether the company with the pre-existing County license should be required to obtain a cable operator license from its jurisdiction.

Commissioner Moss questioned what enforcement mechanisms were in place if a municipality informed the County that a cable operator refused to obtain the required license permit. He asked if the County could revoke the cable operator license for that particular entity.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry, Ms. Peel noted the Miami-Dade County Code did not address the issue of requiring cable operators to obtain the municipal cable operator license permit.

Commissioner Moss asked if legislation could be prepared and codified to require cable operators to obtain cable license permits from the County and the affected municipality.

Following further discussion between Board members and Ms. Peel pertaining to the requirement for cable operator license permits, Commissioner Sorenson offered an amendment to add the following language: "...cable operators are not authorized to go into any incorporated portions or municipalities unless they have obtained a cable operator license with the respective municipality."

Mr. Gary Resnick, a representative from Hotwire, appeared before the Committee, and informed the Committee that Hotwire representatives fully understood the dual jurisdiction regarding the County and the cities within Miami-Dade County, and Hotwire intended to comply with all regulations imposed upon cable operators.

Hearing no other persons wishing to appear before the Committee on this matter, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no objection, the foregoing proposed resolution was forwarded with Committee amendment(s) to add the following language: "cable operators are not authorized to go into any incorporated areas or municipalities unless they have obtained a cable operator license within the respective municipality," as requested by Commissioner Sorenson.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

071016 Resolution

Natacha Seijas

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE JAY MALINA INTERNATIONAL TRADE CONSORTIUM, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION §2-1505(I) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, IN EXECUTING THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT BETWEEN FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (FIU) AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO STUDY TRADE DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND PROVIDE TRADE PROMOTION & WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Souto

Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

2B

070947 Resolution

Dorrin D. Rolle,

Audrey M. Edmonson RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF ESTABLISHING STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE FLORIDA VENTURE FOUNDATION, SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE BOARD, INC. AND ANY OTHER SIMILAR AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A DEDICATED POOL OF SKILLED TRADE LABORERS TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THE COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AND JOB CLEARING HOUSE PROGRAMS AND TO REPORT BACK TO THE

Amended

Report: See Agenda Item 2B Amended, Legislative File

BOARD WITHIN 120 DAYS

No. 071156 for the amended version.

2B AMENDED

071156 Resolution

Dorrin D. Rolle,

Audrey M. Edmonson RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF ESTABLISHING STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE FLORIDA VENTURE FOUNDATION, SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE BOARD, INC. AND ANY OTHER SIMILAR AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A DEDICATED POOL OF SKILLED TRADE LABORERS TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THE COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AND JOB CLEARING HOUSE PROGRAMS AND TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 60 DAYS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070947]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Edmonson
Seconder: Moss

Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. She noted Chairwoman Edmonson had requested to be listed as a cosponsor to the foregoing resolution.

As sponsor of the foregoing proposed resolution, Chairwoman Edmonson relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairwoman Sorenson and requested the required report be submitted to Board within 60 days in lieu of 120 days.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to provide for the submittal of the report within 60 days in lieu of 120 days, as requested by Commissioner Edmonson.

Commissioner Sorenson commented that efforts should be made to work with the County contractors in order to make it easier for them to use the Community Workforce Program first in hiring local labor.

2C

071100 Resolution

Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY AS OLDER AMERICANS' MONTH

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the

record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

3 DEPARTMENTS

3A

070964 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH FIRST HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF FLORIDA AND CITY-WIDE ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING SERVICES TO HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (Housing Finance Authority)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

3B

070963 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 07-00135 AS A TARGETED JOBS INCENTIVE FUND PROGRAM BUSINESS PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE LXXXVI, AS MODIFIED BY ORDINANCE NO. 02-251; CONFIRMING THAT THE COMMITMENT OF INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 07-00135 EXISTS; AND PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$733,450 FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2015 WITH THE PROVISO THAT ANY TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 07-00135, UNDER FLORIDA STATUTE 196.1995, REDUCES ANY TARGETED JOBS INCENTIVE FUNDS AWARD TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 07-00135 BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 070966 3(C)) (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan Seconder: Moss Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked that Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry meet with Beacon Council representatives to discuss the possibility of using recruitment companies within Commission District I for the Targeted Jobs Incentive Fund (TJIF) program. She also asked Ms. Curry to initiate efforts to ensure that individuals residing within that district were hired to work within the targeted area(s).

Commissioner Moss asked Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks to review the possibility of incorporating the appropriate language within future proposed resolutions to require the use of recruitment companies located within the respective Commission District and to require that employees for the targeted area(s) be recruited from that district as well.

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, provided an overview of the Beacon Council's role in preparation for the TJIF program.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry, Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks advised the Committee there may be funding source restrictions for local preference.

Commissioner Jordan stated the Florida Memorial University and the Saint Thomas University conducted a study regarding the availability of all professional organizations within Commission District 1 that could be utilized by the County to assist in the recruitment efforts.

Mr. Cintron stated he would share this information provided by Commissioner Jordan with the Beacon Council.

3C

070966 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 07-00135 AS A QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY BUSINESS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES S-288.106, CONFIRMING THAT THE COMMITMENTS OF LOCAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NECESSARY FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00135 EXIST; AND PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$105,000 FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS AS LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY TAX REFUND PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2018, INCLUSIVE, OR OVER A TIME PERIOD AS DETERMINED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN ITS APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00135 APPLICATION WITH THE PROVISO THAT ANY TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00135 UNDER FLORIDA STATUTE 196.1995 REDUCES ANY QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY TAX REFUND TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00135 BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED, IN COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 288.106(5)9; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 070963 3(B)) (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

3D

071034 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST TO INCREASE THE SALES PRICE OF THE SET ASIDE UNITS OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT GROUP II, LLC FOR THE ATRIUM AT SPRING GARDEN CONDOMINIUM DEVELOPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Moss Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Commissioner Sorenson stated the County, as a governing body, had to address shared equity when Surtax dollars were used by buyers as a purchase price buy-down for affordable housing units in Miami-Dade County.

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, provided an overview of the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution. He noted this resolution addressed shared equity and the first three years the buyer received no equity, and thereafter the equity was 5% per year until the 20th year.

Mr. Alberto Milo, Jr., Principal Manager, Urban Development Group, LLC, appeared before the Committee, and noted several meetings had occurred with staff to discuss shared equity after the 20th year for affordable housing units in Miami-Dade County.

Commissioner Jordan thanked Mr. Milo and noted this resolution would serve as a model for future affordable housing development.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

4 COUNTY MANAGER

4A

063654 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES, INC. (County Manager)

Withdrawn

Report: (See Agenda Item 4A Substitute; Legislative File

No. 071125.)

4A SUB.

071125 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN SERVICES, INC.

Amended (pending receipt of Leg. File No. from CA)

(County Manager)

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' comments regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) process, Assistant County Attorney Brenda Kuhns Neuman advised the Committee of the postponement of the submittal date for acceptance of the RFP.

Commissioner Moss questioned whether the Alliance for Human Services, Inc. ("Alliance") had established an equitable formula for funding by the entities that participated in the Alliance and to secure said funding.

Mr. Marc Buchbinder, Executive Director, Alliance for Human Services, Inc. ("Alliance"), appeared before the Committee, and informed the Committee that the requirement to serve as an Alliance Board of Director member comprised of representatives who were major providers for human services in the community and/or contributed cash or in-kind support to the Alliance. Mr. Buchbinder further explained that the Social Services Master Plan (SSMP) served as the guidance for major funders of human services in this community. He noted other funders in the community all have their process for distributing their respective funds through a competitive process.

Commissioner Moss questioned the status of the advisory groups, consumers and providers from the social and human services delivery system.

Responding to Commissioner Moss' inquiry, Mr. Buchbinder explained the establishment of the advisory committee along with a cluster system of nine human services and one cluster comprised of special needs, which had four subgroups.

Discussion ensued in connection with the designation of the Alliance as a 501(c)(3) entity, which was initially under the auspices of United Way until the 501(c)(3) was established.

Concerning Commissioner Moss' comments regarding the need to protect the public service category of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) process, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry reassured Committee members that representatives from the County Manager's Office would engage in conversation(s) with representatives from the Alliance for Human Services and the County Attorney's Office to ensure that the CDBG funds were used as intended.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked the Office of Community and Economic Development Director and the Alliance for Human Services Executive Director to explore ways to ensure that the Alliance CBO funding process funded historical community-based organizations.

Following further discussion among Committee members regarding the CDBG funds transferred to the Alliance, Mr. Buchbinder noted an analysis of the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs) priorities, established by the Alliance, recommended funding that included county-wide and district-related items. He indicated the Alliance had put forth efforts to work with each County Commission member to ensure that each Commission District was aware of the Alliance CBO funding competitive process.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's question pertaining to how the Alliance addressed a funding gap after the CBO process, Mr. Buchbinder noted potential funding existed that may be made available to address any funding gap.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's question on the CDBG funding public service category amount transferred to the Alliance, Mr. Buchbinder noted there was a transferal of approximately \$2.3 million to the Alliance.

Concerning Commissioner Jordan's recommendation that the Alliance for Human Services Executive Director prepare an addendum to the existing RFP that specifically addresses the CDBG strategic target areas based on population, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry stated she would work with representatives from the County

Attorney's Office to prepare an addendum, as proposed by Commissioner Jordan.

Following further discussion regarding the Alliance's RFP process and concerns raised by the Committee members regarding the CDBG funding, Assistant County Attorney Brenda Kuhns Neuman read the following proposed amended language to the foregoing proposed resolution as follows: "...to amend Resolution R-162-07, which allocated the funding for this particular Request for Proposals (RFP); and to provide that the County's General Revenue funds allocated to the Alliance in place of the CDBG funds shall be awarded to CBOs providing services within the targeted Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs) or the CDBG eligible block groups areas." In addition, direct the Alliance to amend its RFP or Request for Qualifications (RFQ) already advertised and published to ensure that it was consistent with this resolution as amended.

It was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the foregoing resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation, with committee amendment(s). This motion was seconded by Commissioners Moss, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution with Committee amendment(s) as noted by Assistant County Attorney Kuhns Neuman.

5 CLERK OF THE BOARD

5A

071030 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 14, 2007 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (Clerk of the Board) Approved Mover: Sorenson Seconder: Moss Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing report into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.

6 REPORTS

6A

071076 Report

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATION PACKAGES (County Manager)

Deferred to no date certain

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing report into the record.

OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURAL MANAGER

Mr. Charles LaPradd, Agricultural Manager, Miami-Dade County Manager's Office of the Agricultural Manager (OAM), presented the OAM Departmental fiscal year (FY) 2006-07 budget information and addressed the following:

- -Issues of this Activity
- -Operating Budget Revenues and Expenditures
- -Positions
- -Performance Information for this Activity (At Base Level)

Following Commissioner Moss' comments regarding efforts to identify sufficient office space for the OAM, Mr. LaPradd informed the Committee that office space had been identified at the South Dade Government Center upon the completion of a construction project at that site. He also noted other potential sites further south of the South Dade Government Center.

Commissioner Sorenson commended Mr. LaPradd for his efforts since his acceptance as the Agricultural Manager and asked Mr. LaPradd if he had an assistant.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry, Mr. LaPradd informed the Committee that currently OAM had a full-time assistant, which required a budget modification.

Commissioner Sorenson spoke in support of the budget modification for an assistant in order for the County to sustain agriculture in South Dade.

Responding to Commissioner Souto's inquiry regarding the growth rate of agricultural production, Mr. LaPradd provided an overview of the current census by the United States Department of Agriculture. He noted the County had seen a tremendous increase in nursery plants in order to accommodate the County's landscape ordinance. He proceeded to provide an overview

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of the current market in the agriculture industry and the emphasis on bio-fuel products.

Commissioner Sorenson stated she anticipated a good future in field corps and asked if growers were responding well to the field corps. She noted the County had a large fleet and the fuel for these vehicles could use bio-fuel corps from the County farmers.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments, Mr. LaPradd stated the response from the agriculture industry was mixed. He noted many growers were very supportive of the concept of biofuel and some have invested in biofuel plants in other states.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's question on the response from growers in terms of organic foods, Mr. LaPradd noted the response had not been that well from traditional growers.

Commissioner Moss suggested Committee Budget Workshops be scheduled to hear all of the Departmental Budget Presentations of all committees.

Following comments by Committee members regarding the timeline for the County's budget process, Ms. Rowena Henry, Budget Analyst, Office of Strategic Business Management, stated the County Manager would present his budget recommendations on June 1st.

Chairwoman Edmonson announced the scheduling of an EDHS Committee Budget Workshop in May 2007, to hear the remaining departmental budget presentations.

6B

070758 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2006 - METRO-MIAMI ACTION PLAN TRUST

Report Received Mover: Moss Seconder: Jordan Vote: 5-0

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing report into the record.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks to review the ordinance creating the Metro-Miami Action Plan Trust Board of Trustees, specifically the term limits for Trust Board members. She asked Ms. Johnson-Stacks to meet with her to prepare the appropriate legislation establishing term limits for the MMAP Trust. 6C

070312 Report

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE (CAHSA) TASK FORCE (County Manager)

Report Received

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing report into the record, along with Agenda Item 6D, which related to the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance (CAHSA) Task Force.

Mr. Luis Rabell, Chairperson, CAHSA Task Force, appeared before the Committee, and presented the CAHSA Final Report that contained recommendations from the Task Force.

Mr. Aundra Wallace, Vice-Chairperson, CAHSA Task Force, appeared before the Committee, and echoed Mr. Rabell's comments regarding the role of the Task Force to assist the County Commission in addressing the housing crisis in Miami-Dade County. He noted the Task Force desired to continue to assist the County in this effort.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's question on the implementation of the CAHSA Task Force recommendations, Mr. Wallace noted approximately eight recommendations by the County were implemented.

Commissioner Jordan asked Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry to prepare Certificates of Appreciation for members of the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance (CAHSA) Task Force in recognition of their hard work, and that these presentations be placed on the April 24th, County Commission meeting agenda.

Discussion ensued between the Committee members and Ms. Curry regarding the continuation of the CASHA Task Force.

Commissioner Sorenson commended the CAHSA Task Force for its final report. She stated this Committee needed to review the final report, and specifically the recommendations to identify those recommendations which the County should implement with the appropriate legislation.

Following Commissioner Sorenson's comments, Ms. Curry informed the Committee that a meeting had occurred with all County Department



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Directors who were involved in the recommendations that came from the CAHSA Task Force. She noted staff had identified recommendations, which the County would like to implement whether administratively or through the adoption of legislation by the County Commission. She noted a follow-up status report was due to the County Commission in 90 days, outlining the status of those departments with the CAHSA Task Force recommendations. Ms. Curry pointed out the Administration would like the CAHSA Task Force and its subcommittees to continue working on those recommendations that merit further review.

Commissioner Moss expressed his appreciation to the CAHSA Task Force and noted he looked forward to its continued involvement in the process.

Ms. Curry thanked Commissioner Jordan for her participation and leadership in this process.

Chairwoman Edmonson expressed her appreciation to Commissioner Jordan, Mr. Wallace and the Task Force for their hard work. She stated she looked forward to the County adopting many of the CAHSA Task Force recommendations.

Commissioner Jordan noted she had asked the County Attorney to prepare appropriate legislation to extend the sunset provision of CAHSA Task Force, which becomes effective April 30, 2007.

6D

070672 Report

REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CAHSA TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS (County Manager)

Report Received

Report:

SPECIAL NOTE: See Report under Agenda Item

6C, Legislative File No. 070312.

7 OPEN DISCUSSION

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: There being no further business to come before the

Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.